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From all information available, I find the proposed settlement with Microsoft to be sorely lacking in real hard punitive punishment for the practices of the past, nor has Microsoft shown any remorse for its prior activities. It continues to bundle software with the intent of pushing aside any competition it might face. The proposed settlement does little if anything to level the playing field for competitive software to be given a fair evaluation on the market place. Microsoft has been, and in this citizens opinion, still is in the business of monopolizing the Operating System and Browser software industry. We as citizens should be given a choice as to what we use, but the efforts of Microsoft prevent that from being a viable alternative as all new equipment manufacturers are still forced to load the Microsoft package of OS and Browser of face being shut out of Microsoft's good graces

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